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## SENATE BILL 2017

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 10, Part 11, relative to homebound instruction.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-10-1101, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following language:

- (a) Each LEA shall establish a program of homebound instruction for each student who qualifies. A student qualifies for homebound instruction if the student's treating physician certifies in writing that the student has a medical condition that prevents the student from attending regular classes.
- (b) If a student qualifies for homebound instruction, then the student's LEA shall offer the student homebound instruction for a minimum of three (3) hours per week. The LEA shall determine how long the student may receive homebound instruction on a case-by-case basis and shall take into consideration the recommendations of the student's treating physician.
- (c) If, at the conclusion of any period of homebound instruction, the student's treating physician recertifies in writing that the student's medical condition continues to prevent the student from returning to regular classes, then the LEA shall continue to offer the student three (3) hours of homebound instruction per week, subject to periodic recertification as required by the LEA.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to students who qualify for homebound instruction on or after that date.